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15th March 2018

Dear Andrew,

Re: Application for designation of a neighbourhood area

Burnham Parish Council wishes to apply for the designation of the entire parish of Burnham (as defined by the enclosed map) as a neighbourhood area under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. Burnham Parish Council is a relevant body as defined within Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Attached are the minutes of the Council meeting of 12th March 2018, and the notes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, confirming the Parish Council's decision.

In determining the most appropriate boundaries for the neighbourhood area, the Council considered extending beyond the area of the civil parish. The Council does not believe the area should be extended to the east or west, given the existing Taplow and Farnham Royal neighbourhood areas. The Council also believes the communities of Beaconsfield, Dorney, and Britwell to be very separate from that of Burnham, and do not believe extending into these areas would be appropriate.

The Council considered cross-border extension into Slough, but feels that this would not be practicable, given the lack of clearly definable boundaries, and the difficulties of coordinating with two local planning authorities at different stages of their emerging local plans.

The Council also considered excluding areas of the civil parish from the neighbourhood area. However, it could find no justification in doing so, and did not wish to risk disenfranchising residents in more rural parts of Burnham.

In consideration of the above factors, the Council has therefore determined that the whole civil parish of Burnham is the most appropriate designation for the Burnham neighbourhood area.

Yours sincerely,



Sheridan Jacklin-Edward BA MA PSLCC
Parish Clerk